(d) whether any of the company started production of bulk drug on which these formulations are based;

(e) if so, name of the company and drug;

(f) why no action was taken against these companies in 1981 when it was mandatory to produce the bulk drugs indigenously; and

(g) what was the net profit of each during the last three years, yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) to (g) Information to the extent available would be collected and laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Research Projects

2235. PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Director General of Technical Development has decided to support some research projects jointly with industries;

(b) if so, what are the main features of this special programme; and

(c) whether the research laboratories and Universities in the country will be associated with these projects as experts or consultants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) A proposal has been under consideration of the Technical Policy Implementation Committee for setting up a National Industrial R&D Funding Facility/Industrial Research Fund for the financing of R&D projects, with which Director General, Technical Development will also be associated. A final decision in this regard has, however, yet to be taken by the Government.

Acting Chief Justices of High Courts

2236. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) which of the High Courts are functioning under Acting Chief Justices and what are the reasons therefor; and

(b) by when they will be replaced by permanent Chief Justices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) As on 14-8-1985, the following 3 High Courts are functioning under acting Chief Justices as the offices of Chief Justices are vacant:—

High Court:

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Gauhati
3. Sikkim

The matter regarding appointment of regular Chief Justices in these High Courts is engaging the attention of the Government in consultation with the authorities specified in Articles 217 and 222 of the Constitution. It is not possible to indicate when appointments of permanent Chief Justices will be made in these High Courts.

Paper Mills

2237. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any review has been made recently on the financial position of different large integrated paper mills in the country;

(b) if so, the names of the paper mills facing financial problems;

(c) the other factors affecting the paper industry;

(d) the performance of the various paper mills during the Sixth Five Year Plan; and

(e) the measures proposed to be taken in Seventh Plan to improve the performances of paper mills?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) Government have not made any review of the financial position of different large integrated paper mills in the country.

(c) The major problems of the paper industry relate to increasing investment requirements, dwindling raw material supply, escalating input cost, availability of essential inputs such as coal and power and modernisation and renovation.

(d) As against the target of installed capacity and production of 20.50 lakh tonnes and 15.00 lakh tonnes respectively, the capacity installed by 1984-85 is estimated at 24 lakh tonnes and product achieved 13.61 lakh tonnes.

(e) The problems of the Paper Industry are kept in view by the Industry, Government, Financial Institutions and other concerned agencies, while formulating appropriate remedial measures. Some of the units have taken up modernisation and technological upgradation with a view to achieve increased economic usage of raw materials, higher yield, reduction in energy consumption, improvement of quality, pollution control and prevention of obsolescence. A package of fiscal reliefs, by way of excise concessions, and reduction/waiver of customs duty for imported raw materials has been extended to the paper industry. Infrastructural support has also been improved by increasing allocation of coal to the industry.

Polyester X-ray film factory

2238. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI L. GANESAN:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to set up a Polyester X-ray film factory;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether location of the factory has since been selected; and

(d) what are the criteria applied for in the selection of the location?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) (a) to (d) Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Company Limited, a public sector undertaking, have submitted a proposal for integrated manufacture of polyester base X-ray film, graphic arts film and industrial X-ray film at a cost of Rs. 180 crores. The proposed unit will have the following capacity:

	m.sq.m.
Medical X-ray film . . .	9·5
Industrial X-ray film . .	0.5
Graphic Arts film . . .	2.0
	12.0

The final investment decision has yet to be taken by the Government.

Cement for Arunachal Pradesh

2239. SHRIMATI OMEM MOYONG DEORI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Cement Supplies for Arunachal Pradesh are usually one third of the demands and actual allocation; and